Individual Differences and Processing Instruction

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DESCRIPTION:
This collection of essays builds on the authors previous work and aims to open an additional branch of research in Processing Instruction and to stimulate further research. This is the first collection of studies that empirically address the role that individual differences, such as age, gender, and native language background, might play in the results generated by Processing Instruction.

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